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Commissioner Michael Friedman:

We, members and friends of the Palm Beach County Committee having participated in a meeting on February 18, 1999 to consider "The Consequences of Genetically Engineering The Food Supply of the World," approve the following statement:

A recent article in the Palm Beach Post described dramatic protests staged by farmers in India, France and Ireland, against Monsanto, the world's leading genetic food company.

The protesters reacted vehemently to the introduction of new genetically engineered crops and modified seeds into their fields.

In the United States, consumer groups, farm economists, scientists and public advocates, also oppose the marketing of altered food crops without related research as to possible consequences and without identifying labels.

It is our firm belief that consumers have a fundamental right to know whether the products they purchase will not be injurious to humans and to the environment.

Therefore, we look to you to promote as soon as possible legislation in Congress requiring government approved research as well as labeling of genetically modified crops and foods.

Respectfully yours,

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For the Committee.

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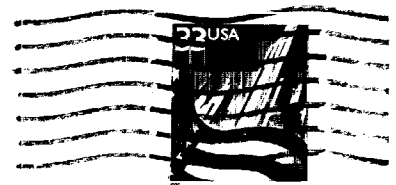
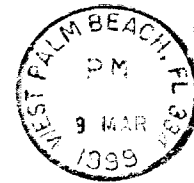
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